Brantley VFD receives ISO rating of 4

The ISO rates all fire depart- ISO's minimum criteria. Brantley Fire Department has ments throughout the United To determine a community's 26 members. States. A class 4 rating is excel- Public Protection Classification Brantley Fire Department's lent, especially for an all-volun- (PPCTM), ISO conducts a field equipment consists of: 2008 teer fire department. ISO col- survey. Expert ISO staff visits Ford Mini-Pumper, 250 GPM; lects information on municipal the community to observe and 2006 Kenworth Pumper Tanker, fire-protection efforts in comevaluate features of the fire promunities throughout the United tection systems.

In each of those communities, tion on more than 44,000 fire 1996 Ford E350 Rescue Truck; ISO analyzes the relevant data departments. Of those 44,000, and a 1991 E-One Pumper, 1500 using the Fire Suppression only 3,036 have a rating of a GPM. Rating Schedule (FSRS). They class 4. Of those 3,036, less than then assign a Public Protection 300 are all volunteer. Brantley is

(Continued from Page One)

while allowing the focus to stay house, they are not just repre- ufacture of methamphetamine

Antwain and Tamya "do a good said Mrs. Griffin.

When they go to the store to According to Tamya, she and physical evidence. purchase groceries, the note her brother continue to "do good Also arrested at the scene was

The two have been dedicated Mrs. Griffin said her grand- amine, possession of drug parato "doing good deeds" for the mother implemented the helping phernalia and tampering with past three years. Mrs. Griffin others idea in her as she grew physical evidence. said the family did not think up, and it was something she much about others paying atten- chose to pass along to her chiltion to their kindness. Instead, dren. She said she is extremely she said it is just the way she proud of her children and their and her husband, Johnny, dedication to helping others. choose to raise Antwain and The note concluded by pass-

ing along one simple message, "I tell them (Antwain and "if you are blessed...bless Tamya) when they leave the someone else."

THE FOUR WAY TEST

of the things we Think, Say or Do First - Is it the TRUTH?

Second - Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Third - Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

• Fourth - Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

ELBA ROTARY CLUB

The Brantley Volunteer Fire Classification from 1 to 10. one of those 300 out of 44,000 Department averages 130 calls Class 1 represents exemplary that have a class 4 rating. per year and recently received a public protection and Class 10 The Brantley Fire Department high rating of 4 by the Insurance indicates that the area's fire-sup- received 66.14 points and pression program doesn't meet received a class 4 rating also.

> Pumper, 1250 GPM; 1996 E-ISO has extensive informa- One Mini Pumper, 500 GPM;

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inside) associated with the man-

senting themselves, they are upon arrival at the residence. According to the note, representing the entire family," Officers arrested George

sure to put extra food in the cart something good for other peo- New Brockton. She was charged with possession of methamphet-

Notice:

The Elba Chamber Commerce has this year's edition of the Christmas Collection ornaments for sale This year's ornament features the Elba Dam. Ornaments can be purchased at the chamber office or at the Elba Chamber of Commerce booth at this weekend's 20th annual Christmas Festival.

At the festival, the Chamber also will be selling t-shirts recognizing the 20th year of the Elba Christmas Festival.

SHARE YOUR



Robert Whitley, age 28, of New NEW OFFICERS ELECTED BY THE COFFEE COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE...At deed for someone every day She said she wants her chil- Brockton. He was charged with a recent meeting the CCRC elected a new slate of officers to serve until the November 2008 election. from the trash man to the road- dren to realize the importance of possession of methampheta- They include (left to right): Don Weaver, chairman; Billy Murdock, treasurer; Ed Foy, membership; and man saying you never know doing good deeds and how mine, possession of drug para-Ricky Snellgrove, vice chairman. Not pictured, Kathy Bruce, secretary. Membership in the Committee who goes to work without." much kindness can help others. phernalia and tampering with is open to any interested Republican. The meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of the month at PoFolks. Dinner is at 6 p.m. with the meeting at 7 p.m. For information call: Ed Foy at 308-9919.

indicated the children also make deeds" because they want to do Tina Marie Spicer, age 25, of Elba Christmas Festival Pageants set for Saturday on the square The annual Christmas Festival Christmas Festival.

Elementary Schools.

the square during the Elba Elba residents only.

Club plans to collect canned food items on Saturday, Dec. 8th Practice will be held Friday, office at 897-3125.

will have a table set up at the ry; however, contestants not sponsor Breakfast Elba Christmas Festival attending practice should turn in (Saturday, Dec. 8) on the square their bio sheet and entry fee prior with Santa in Elba for canned goods in lieu to this time to allow for a contesof the Magical Christmas float tant's number to be drawn. Also, the study club is curmonths thru 23 months), Petite Baptist Church.

tact Anne Cline or any New Grade thru 6th Grade). Christmas Festival at the New Saturday, Dec. 8, at 4:30 p.m. Professional photos will be Season's Study Club table.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING SOONIII

A Cook Chevrolet and Cook Ford

The line up will be behind the old pageants will be held on Dress will be Christmas attire, high school beginning at 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at 11 a.m. on and the pageant is not limited to For children under the age of 4, pageant officials ask that an adult There is an entry fee that accompany her on the float. New Season's Study should be submitted with the Also, the chamber asks that no contestant bio sheet. Bio sheets one other than Santa throws can be picked up at the Chamber candy during the parade.

office or Elba and Zion Chapel For more information, call the

The New Season's Study Club Square. Practice is not mandato-

(in the parade) as in years past. Divisions for the Elba Ala. will sponsor "Breakfast The canned goods will be Christmas Festival pageants with Santa" Saturday, Dec. 8, donated to local families in need include: Baby Miss (birth thru 12 from 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. at the during the Christmas season. months), Tiny Tot Miss (13 activities building of Hebron

rently taking orders for 3rd edi- Miss (2 years thru 3 years), Little Breakfast will include pantion "Taste of Elba" cookbooks. Miss (4 years thru Kindergarten), cakes and sausage. There is a Those who pre-order the Mini Miss (1st Grade thru 2nd small charge for this event. cookbooks will save a few dol- Grade), Junior Miss (3rd Grade Games to include: lars. To order a cookbook, con-thru 4th Grade), and Miss (5th Gingerbread Jewelry, Snowman Game, Candy Cane Walk, Pin-Season's Study Club member. The queens and runners-up the-Nose on Rudolph, Cookie Cookbook orders also will be will be invited to ride in the Decorating, Reindeer Food and the day of the Christmas Parade set for Santa's Workshop.

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Elba City Council completes official business for balance of 2007

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher easements for the purpose of Homeland Security (FEMA)

 constructing the highway. officials. evening. Alabama law requires the City of Elba council to meet at least twice monthly.

In December this is traditionally accomplished by meeting twice on the same night. Separate minutes are kept, the council works off completely different agendas and the roll is called at the beginning of each session.

In the first session the coun-

cil heard a report from the police chief, reviewed the financial statement and approved the monthly bills. Police Chief Freddy Hanchey reported increased activity during the past several weeks. He attributed this to additional officers being on patrol and a transportation

grant that paid overtime for officers to work traffic control. The financial statement for the first month of the fiscal year shows revenue slightly below the 1/12 of the annual projections; however, Mayor James Grimes said this would even out with the December sales taxes and with annual ments. Several expenditures, accounting year, were actually

\$84,104.76 were approved for In other business the council approved moving forward with lemolition of a house on Larkin Road. Grimes reported the mountain of paperwork required for this action has taken quite a while to com-

budgeted in the previous year

but not paid until the first

weeks of the current fiscal year.

Monthly bills totaling

The meeting adjourned and the council immediately reconvened for the second meeting of the month.

The council voted to declare an old 1953 model fire truck as explained that Haynes plans to restore the vehicle and display it in the museum he plans for the old National Security build-

has been put on the roads this

of the impacted land, but gives wild game such as coyote due to

The Elba City Council held

They are signed by City of Mayor Grimes said this "is a two meetings in one Monday Elba, state and federal good Christmas present."



chased under the "'Forever Green' flood buyout program":

ELBA CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL STILL GOING STRONG AFTER 20 YEARS...The City of Elba celebrated 20 years of the Elba Christmas Festival, sponsored by the Elba Chamber of Commerce, last Saturday, Dec. 8, in Elba. In celebration of this milestone, a special presentation was made during the Elba Mayor James Grimes looks over the long fought for deeds to annual event. A wreath to the city was given to Jack E. Brunson (right) by Elba Mayor James Grimes allow the U. S. 84 four lane project to proceed through the (left) and Eddie Vaughan (center), president of the Elba Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Riverview subdivison. FEMA was for a long time virtually non Brunson is credited with coming up with the idea to start the Elba Christmas Festival all those years responsive to efforts to get waivers on the 13 parcels of land purago. After accepting the wreath from Mayor Grimes, Brunson simply said it must have been a good idea since it is 20 years later and the event is still going strong.

Katie's house becomes Fowler's home

Habitat for Humanity House dedicated in Enterprise

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Coffee County Habitat for Humanity of Alabama Habitat for celebrated a special day Sunday, Dec. 9, as another Humanity to business licenses coming due. | Coffee County family became homeowners. While build "Katie's Expenses were also below the those involved with Habitat for Humanity feel every house" with the one-twelfth portion for most of | dedication day is a special day, this particular day will blessing of the the labor-intensive city depart- be remembered for much more. Coffee County's newest completed Habitat for On Sunday

Humanity home is located at 801 West Watts Street in Dec. 9, "Katie's Enterprise, and this house was "built by loving hands house" officialhonoring the life and memory of Katie Strunk." College Avenue Church of Christ in Enterprise part- F a'r l o w

front door of the Habitat for Humanity house built in memory of Katie Strunk. College Avenue Church of Christ partnered with Habitat for

Humanity to build the home.

Family's home. On March 1, 2007, a devastating tornado claimed nine lives i

Enterprise High School.

Keith Ellis, minister of College Avenue Church of directly affected by the tornado. wanted to come up with a project that would honor Katie. They found such a project through Coffee

Among those This Habitat for Humanity house, located at 801 West Watts Street in Enterprise, was dedi-

was Katie cated last Sunday afternoon. The house was built in memory of Katie Strunk, one of the Enterprise High School students killed during the March 1, 2007 tornado.

Ellis said they picked a recipient family that was This small plaque can be found just above the Christ, told those attending Sunday's dedication cere- "Katie is very much alive in our hearts and memomony that following the tragic tornado, the church ries," Ellis said. "Today we honor her and pray that

Please See HABITAT HOUSE, Page 12

Mike Haynes. The mayor Local hunter worries sport will diminish if changes are not made to hunting laws

dogs for coyote hunting and laws that allow the hunt of nui- their sport. City Clerk Wayne Grantham
reported a second trash truck

field trial competitions, but, sance animals such as coyote.

Davis worries his sport will and the local hunters are only years, but Davis said it was trained for field trials and pleassoon be no more if changes are asking for the same in Alabama. overlooked. However, due to ure hunting. Their purpose is to

Grimes reported he finally hunters that formed a group now already in an existing enclosure. Davis believes there is a lot of Kennel, currently holds 35 dogs has the 13 property deeds from referred to as the Organization FEMA necessary for the con- of Ethical Game Laws. They are tinuation of the four laning of seeking changes to Alabama U.S. 84 through Elba. The hunting laws that would allow deeds have been recorded and for hunters to buy, sell and the mayor also plans to convey transport coyotes within the copies to the state highway state department this week. These Currently, Davis said hunters

deeds do not convey ownership cannot buy, sell or transport

Area Happenings

an "outdated" law. He said sur- They cannot trap and bring new misrepresentation about his that come from several different by Linda Hodge, Editor an outdated law. He said said said some to the enclosure, which sport rounding states such as Florida, game to the enclosure, which sport. Vic Davis loves training his Georgia and Mississippi have Davis said will eventually ruin He said the dogs used to run -

not made to hunting laws in Without a change in the law, recent high-profile animal cruel- pick up on the scent of the game the coyote hunters are only ty cases, he said the issue has and try and locate it. Davis is one of several local allowed to hunt the game become a problem locally. Davis' kennel, Victory

Davis, Vic Davis, Shirley Davis and Brandi Davis

THE DAVIS FAMILY CONSISTS OF THREE GENERATIONS of dog hunters. The are shown

above with a portion of the trophies won through the years by family members at field trial competi-

ions (mostly in enclosures) with dogs. Without a change to current Alabama hunting laws, the family

worries their sport will soon be no more. Family members include (from left): Wayne Davis, Brent

the animals are scent dogs. They Please See HUNT, Page 12

NEWS BRIEF

According to the Coffee County Sheriff's Department, occurred Thursday, Dec. 6, has led to the arrest of one suspect.The burglary was reported last Thursday at

approximately 6 p.m. from a residence on County Rd. 215. Upon investigating the crime, Chief Deputy R.W. description was acquired. While following up on the case, he said a vehicle matching the description was spotted leaving one residence and later spotted at a nearby business trying to sell scrap metal. mation from citizens in the area resulted in the arrest of Andrew Keith Baker. He was larged with burglary third egree with further charges

> Whitworth said guns taken haing the burglary were covered and returned to the



EDITORIAL

Christmas parades and throwing candy to the onlookers is a long standing tradition in Elba, Alabama a combination that would upset a large segment of the public if it were to be stopped. However every year we anguish over the candy left lying on or beside the roads following the event. This year was so bad it is embarrassing. We picked up some Saturday night and gave it to children. Then riding around town after the crowds went home it was shocking to see what appeared to be ogles of candy lying around. A quick walk along the streets Sunday confirmed our original discovery to a point it is almost a wasteful sin. All the talk across the nation about money being extremely tight, etc. does not apply to the parade watchers in Elba on December 8th, 2007. Otherwise there would have been far less candy cluttering the pavement. Even after the street sweeper made early rounds Monday morning there was more that the normal amount of candy on or near the roads. Shame, shame yet is the shame on those throwing the free goodies or those without the motivation to pick it up? Maybe it is because of this being the land of plenty for so long we don't appreciate (or maybe don't realize) what a blessing it is to live in America.

Mayor James Grimes was sitting in victory lane Monday finally receiving the necessary Riverview subdivision property deeds from the federal government (FEMA) to allow the Alabama highway department to move forward with the four-lane work on U.S. 84. He didn't have time for us to make a picture of him holding the deeds until they had been recorded in the local courthouse. Don't expect to see road graders moving up and down the right-of-ways anytime soon. First the highway department folks will tell you they are out of money and need more cash (taxes). Then when pressured they will add that the Atlanta engineering firm originally hired for that segment of the project still has not produced workable plans for a bid letting on the project. It was lawyers, lawyers, lawyers while dealing with FEMA on the property deeds and guess what it is now lawyers, lawyers in dealing with the engineering problem.

Oprah Winfrey is on the campaign trail with Senator Barack Obama in his bid for the White House. She will draw a crowd to the political rallies but most will be there to see her. It will be hard to turn those attendees into votes. However someone is worried about Obama's chances. That opinion is based on the e-mail messages received at this desk. All sorts of wild claims are made about Obama's beliefs, opinions and actions. Some may be true but you can bet money most Elba Chamber of Commerce are made up tales unproveable but also untraceable to their ori- board members presented a gins. Our reaction is to delete them and move on.

Mitt Romney is Mormon and that is fodder for many people to oppose members Lynn Baker and his presidential efforts. Our opinion is in the other direction. Denise Sauls act their part Throughout life we have known some great people - Mormons. We from a scene of the play as felshared a room with one in the military. His dad was an elder in the low board member Linda Mormon church. Not once did he (or any others we have met in our Hodge watches from the backrounds) do anything that would have offended members of any Elba ground. Hodge wrote the play church. In fact his actions made good examples for other Christians. and also served as narrator.

Scenes from the 20th Annual Elba Christmas Festival



Children enjoy storytime with Mrs. Claus



Train rides aboard the Southern Express always seem to be a favorite part of the Christmas Festival for youngsters.



Breakfast with Santa began the day's events as children were for children to have their pic-

ture made with Santa. CAN'T FIND THE PERFECT GIFT?

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invited to enjoy the first meal of the day with 'ole St. Nick. The event was held at the new coffeehouse currently being renovated on the square in Elba. The event also served as a good time



114 N. Claxton Ave. 897-BELA (2352)



Elba Police Report The Elba Police Department, County EMS dispatched to 722 St. (5:36 p.m.); Disturbance

eginning Monday, December N. Claxton Ave. (6:19 p.m.). property, one for negotiating a County EMS dispatched to the p.m.). ment, one for possession of drug p.m.).

made: one for fugitive from jus- lot of Kelley Foods (9:28 a.m.); p.m.). tice, two for possession of mari- Coffee County EMS dispatched juana, three for public intoxica- to 21903 Hwy. 189 (12:54 tion, one on a parole violation p.m.); Disturbance (noise) warrant, one for failure to pay, reported on Smith Ave. (9:15 one for negotiating a worthless p.m.). non-negotiable instrument, one FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7 for possession of drug parapher- Routine activity nalia and one for failure to SATURDAY, DECEMBER

Traffic citations issued during Old Samson Rd. (1:36 a.m.); the week were as follows: two Domestic disturbance (verbal) for speeding, two for a suspend-reported at 720 Reynolds St. ed driver's license, one for vio- (10:56 a.m.); Minor 2-vehicle lation of the seat belt law, one wreck reported in the parking for running a stop sign, one for a lot of Elba MarketPlace (11:11 revoked driver's license and one a.m.); Coffee County EMS disfor no insurance.

the week were as follows: MONDAY, DECEMBER 3 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 397 County Rd. 342 (8:29 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a wreck on

Hwy. 87 N. (3:51 p.m.). TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to Taylor Mill Rd. (11:10 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a vehicle fire (3:30 p.m.); Coffee

3, 2007, investigated the follow- WEDNESDAY, DECEM- (6:54 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) ing incidents: one for fugitive BER 5 - Disturbance (noise) reported on Teresa St. (8:12 from justice, two for possession reported on Smith Ave. (11:00 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) of marijuana, three for public p.m.); Elba Fire Department dis- reported on Teresa St. (8:32 intoxication, one for theft of patched to a wreck on Taylor p.m.); Disturbance (noise) property, one for theft of lost Mill Rd. (11:49 p.m.); Coffee reported at Mulberry Park (9:50

worthless non-negotiable instru- wreck on Taylor Mill Rd. (11:51 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9 paraphernalia, one for a private THURSDAY, DECEMBER to 903 Wayne St. (6:44 a.m.); property accident, one for 6 - Coffee County EMS dis- Wreck reported on Hwy. 125 at assault, one for theft and one for patched to 1662 County Rd. 415 Whitewater Church (4:25 p.m.); an unattended natural death. (12:07 a.m.); Minor 2-vehicle Coffee County EMS dispatched The following arrests were wreck reported in the parking to the wreck on Hwy. 125 (4:26

8 - Possible wreck reported on patched to 1631 N. Claxton Ave. Daily activity highlights for (3:47 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1123 Guyton

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(noise) reported on Reynolds St.

short play entitled "Feels Like

Christmas." Above, board

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Monday - 5:30 p.m.- City Hall
WATER & ELECTRIC - Tuesday ollowing 2nd Monday - 6 p.m. - City ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. Tues. - 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall Church Fellowship Hall
GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP-every Monday 6:30 p.m.-Elba United Methodist Church-enter on side on W. Davis St.-Maggie Garrett Classroom. • COFFEE COUNTY COMMIS-SION - 2nd & 4th Monday Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues -

6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center

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Complex 894-5858

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Every 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.

* ELBA KIWANIS CLUB - 2nd & 4th
Thursday - Noon - Elba Public Library



December 24, 2007 5:30 p.m.

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on this silent and holy night! Dress informal. All ages welcome.

Each family is invited to bring a candle and holder to service. Worship with us This Sunday at 10 a.m.



THE ELBA CLIPPER - THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2007

Today has been very upsetting than three weeks ago.

ers I had put on his grave less

Thank you, Gail King 897-3890

MARY IRENE (PARKER) Cemetery, Elba, with Hayes (Tom) Crowell, Luverne, Ala., Tillis. for my family. I visited my To whomever: No one has an DOROUGH Daddy's grave today at Danley answer as to why someone Mrs. Mary Irene (Parker) Mr. McDaniel was preceded Brantley, Ala., SFC Ricky Earl and father: Marie and Bufus Cross Roads, only to find some- would do this. My father died Dorough, age 80, of Elba, Ala., in death by two sons, George (Connie) Beck, Luverne, Lisa Tillis; four sisters: Tammy one had stolen Christmas flow- six years ago, but to me it's like died Saturday, Dec. 8, 2007, at Franklin McDaniel and Jeffery Carol Beck, Eufaula, Steve Tillis, Elba, Doris Coleman; yesterday. I wanted him to have her home.

Deborah Damon

THE EDITOR

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Zane McDaniel; and two sisters, (Alisa) Stapleton, Pearl, Miss., Stuart, Fla., Tina Green, Opp;

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Obituaries

a good Christmas too. If you're Funeral services were held Mazell Lee and Robbie Brad (Sylvia) Stapleton, Clifton Ala., and Ann (Lamar) Lane. doing this for fun, remember, Dec. 11, 2007 at First Baptist McDaniel. one day you will answer for Church of Elba with Reverend Survivors include his wife: (Kathy) Stapleton, all of Tillis and Bufus (Barbara) Tillis, Mack King officiating. Burial Elsie Dell McDaniel, Elba; Collins, Miss., Troyanne (Bill) Elba, Melvit Tillis and Willie C. followed in the Evergreen daughter: Bonita Destin, Parham, Villa Rica, Ga.; two (Ann) Tillis, Opp, Ala. Cemetery, Elba, with Hayes Destin, Fla.; step son: Rudy Joe brothers: Milan (Mary) Beck (wife Sarah) Williams, Leeds, Clio, Ala., Robert (Wanda) LOIS HUDSON Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include one daugh- Ala.; two sons: Dennis Robin Beck, Opp, Ala.; 22 grandchil- Mrs. Lois Hudson, age 89, a ter: Sylvia (husband Tony) (wife Vanessa) McDaniel, dren; and five great-grandchillife long resident of Elba, Ala., Hudson, Troy, Ala.; one son: Cullman, Ala., Anthony "Tony" dren. Thomas E. (wife Becky) Dale (wife Miki) McDaniel, Dorough, Tupelo, Miss.; three Troy, Ala.; two brothers: D. J. NAPOLEON TILLIS sisters: Martha Watkins, McDaniel, Elba, Barnett Mr. Napoleon Tillis, age 41, of this time and will be announced Middleburg, Fla., Barbara Sue McDaniel, Lakeland, Fla.; two Dothan, Ala., formerly of Elba, by Hayes Funeral Home. Parker, Elba, Bettie Gainer, granddaughters: Lara Bice, Ala, died Friday, Nov. 30, 2007 Winder, Ga.; one brother: Cullman, Kristin Destin, Destin, at Flowers Hospital in Dothan. Roger Parker, Luverne, Ala., Fla.; and two step-grand- Funeral services were held granddaughters: daughters: Kimberly Nielsen Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2007, at Michelle Dorough, Memphis, and Jessica Williams, both of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Tenn., Kimberly Brazeal, Birmingham, Tupelo, Christina Dorough, Florence, Ala.; one grandson: JOEL BECK Troy Hudson, Troy; and one 1SGT. Joel Beck, age 68, of Home directing. great-grandson: Andrew Eufaula, Ala., formerly of Mr. Tillis was preceded in

Coffee County, Ala., died death by his two brothers, Parker Brazeal, Tupelo. Thursday, Dec. 6, 2007, at his Marvel Underwood and Scottie HENRY CLINTON (FOOTS) home Funeral services were held Horizon Vault & Monument

McDANIEL Mr. Henry Clinton (Foots) Dec. 12, 2007 at Chapman McDaniel, age 86, of Elba, Ala., Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. died Saturday, Dec. 8, 2007, at Bobby Hines officiating. Burial

Home Chapel with Rev. Fred ing. Fowler and Rev. Milford Survivors include his wife: Johnson officiating. Burial fol- Charlotte Ann Beck, Eufaula; lowed in the Mt. Gilead Church nine children: Denise Beck

Flowers Hospital in Dothan, followed in the Ft. Mitchell National Cemetery with full Funeral services were held military honors with Chapman Dec. 11, 2007 at Hayes Funeral Funeral Home of Eufaula direct-

897-3010

the day with a short break for lunch, they

P.M. local time. Quietly, and with little fanfare

the world became a different place.

achieved their objective at approximately 3:30

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Ala. Church, Elba, with Rev. Darryl

Caldwell officiating. Burial fol-

lowed with Coleman Funeral

Timothy Joel (Linda) Beck, Survivors include his mother

(Stacey) Stapleton, Bruce Gary, Ind.; four brothers: Tim

died Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2007, at

the Elba Nursing Home.

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had dressed warmly to protect himself against the wind whistling off Lake Michigan. By 8:30

stands of the school's football stadium. 1938 Nobel Prize in physics. He had immigrated to the United States in 1938 without first returning home from the Nobel Awards ceremony in ing nuclear technology. Sweden, as his native Italy had become a Fascist These scientists eventually dictatorship under Benito Mussolini. Fermi had sufficient concerns about continuing to work in Project, which developed such an environment that he and his family the atomic bomb.

decided to flee. Waiting for him on the squash court were the members of his research team, scientists with that day (in addition to whom he had worked since arriving in Chicago Fermi), included Leo early in 1939. Located underneath the stands of Stagg Field (named for the school's legendary Compton and a football coach Amos Alonzo Stagg), the squash single court was a windowless, thirty by sixty foot room. Today, they had assembled for the final test of an experiment that had the potential to change the course of World War II. If their day were successful, this small group of scientists would unleash the power of the atom by creating the world's first controlled nuclear reaction. Research into the atom's power began in the mid-1930's. In 1939, Albert Einstein wrote to President Franklin Roosevelt urging that the United States make controlling nuclear energy s highest priority. At the time, Einstein had

December 2, 1942 was a brutally cold day in learned that German scientists were making sig-Chicago. With the early morning temperature nificant advances in understanding nuclear hovering near zero the short, balding immigrant technology, and he feared that Germany might develop a nuclear weapon.

Less than three years later, the significance of their accomplishment became public knowl-A.M., he had reached the squash court at the Russian economist Alexander Sachs hand delived edge with a shattering announcement by University of Chicago, located underneath the ered Einstein's letter to the President on October President Harry S Truman. The United States 11, 1939. He also delivered his own letter, in decided to use the atomic bomb against Japan. which he offered his services to the President. Dropped on Hiroshima, Japan on August 6, 1945 The immigrant was Enrico Fermi, winner of the The effect was immediate, and Roosevelt began and on Nagasaki three days later, the bomb's destructive force quickly convinced the assembling the nation's leading scientists to work on developformed the Manhattan



THE WEB JOURNEY **Nuclear Files**

Trapnell, this resource tells the story of Peace Foundation. It includes primary source Institute, this resource examines the effects of December 2, 1942 and the months of work documents concerning the early develop- the American decision to drop an atomic the late afternoon success.

timeline of major developments.

Written by and Corbin Allardice and Edward This resource is a project of the Nuclear Age Hosted as part of the Hiroshima Peace

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A-Bomb WWW Museum

beforehand. The day's events are detailed ment of nuclear energy, biographies of scien- bomb in Japan. Included are photographs and almost minute by minute from 8:30 A.M. until tists, policy makers and others, as well as a first-person accounts of the August 1945 events in Hiroshima.





IT HAPPENED THIS WEEK!



The Duke of Windsor. Courtesy of the British Broadcasting Corporation His reign as the King of England lasted only 325 days before he abdicated the throne on December 10, 1936. After that, he became the Duke of Windsor. The woman for whom he gave up the throne was Wallis Simpson, a twice-divorced American. Following his abdication, the king left England, and lived abroad until his death in 1972. Under what name did he reign as king? Do you want to find the

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ously nomadic lifestyle as hunters and gatherers for a new one in which they learned to plant crops. Most North American and Europeans who have studied the question believe that, approximately 10,000 years ago, humans settled an area between the Mediterranean and the Persian Gulf called Mesopotamia. Archaeologists have found evidence of human settlements, including towns and cities that are part of modern day Iraq. You can find out more at http://tinyuri.com/rd5b3.

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NEW ARRIVAL

JAMES KAEDEN LAWFORD

Kendall Lawford would like to announce the birth of her little brother, James Kaeden

Kevin and Maria Lawford welcomed their new arrival at the Enterprise Medical Center, Enterprise, Alabama, at 2:10 p.m. on October 18, 2007. He weighed 6 lbs. 4 oz. and was 18

Grandparents are Dennis and Susan Lawford and Debra Coon Rivera, all of Elba and Simon Rivera Jr. of San Antonio, Texas. Great-grandparents are Carolyn Stokes and Betty Coon of Elba. Great-great-grandmoth-

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certification exam, This is a shower on Sunday afternoon, Valarie Moore, Mrs. Gwen Weeks. short-term, non-College credit November 25, at Olde South Inn Mullinax, Ms. Suzanne Nagy, As the hostesses departed, course designed to prepare par- on West Davis Street in Elba. Mrs. Debra Nicholson, Mrs. Christy gave them all an angel ticipants to take the national cer- The many guests who called Julie Parrish, Mrs. Lin Rowe, Christmas ornament as a token

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Kendall Lawford

party with all the trimmings. She Mrs. Nell Johnson, Mrs. Debbie Johnson and has lived her entire opened all of her gifts with lots

Debra Coon Rivera, all of Elba, Students are registering for how to register for classes, call Ozark, or go online at Ala. and Simon Rivera Jr. of San Spring Semester classes at (334) 347-2623 at the Enterprise w w w . e o c c . e d u Antonio, Texas. She is the great- Enterprise-Ozark Community Campus, (334) 598-3438 at the http://www.eocc.edu

Wednesday, December 12-Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church - Fellowship Hall 4015 Hwy. 27, Enterprise, AL 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Blood Drive Coffee County Courthouse -Downtown Elba - Red Cross Bus

Wednesday, December 26-Wal-Mart Enterprise Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, AL Red Cross Bus

long sleeve T-shirt and baseball cap. gift card during our Season of Hope promotion that runs throughout the month of December.



ing guidelines to optimize Pictured is Mrs Grace Bradley, Mrs. Geraldine Edwards, Mrs. Robin Bradley, Miss Christy Bradley-Leroy and Nell Lawford, ers are Mary Weed Legg of physician payment within com- honoree, Mrs. Anita Grimes and Mrs. Judy Melo

hours per week study time out-

Previous medical training or bridal shower on Sunday afternoon November 25th required to enroll in the Medical Miss Christy Bradley, bride- Kelly, Mrs. Doris Matthews, Mrs. Lisa Stinson, Mrs. Faye Coding Class. Upon completion, elect of Mr. Britt Grimes, was Ms. Patsy Meek, Mrs. Janice Tillis, Ms. Barbara Turner, Mrs. students will be eligible to sit for honored with a miscellaneous McCall, Mrs. Judy Melo, Mrs. Joan Ward and Mrs. Kathy

front entrance by hostess Ms. single red rose in a charming

Christy, dressed in a striking

Hostesses invited the guests

be were spaced throughout the

tification exam to become a between the hours of one thirty Mrs. Chris Sutley, Mrs. Jan of appreciation. Certified Professional Coder and three, were greeted at the Smith, Mrs. Rhonda Stephens, of the groom-to-be, registered



Rosa Johnson Coon

inn for friends and family to Rosa Johnson Coon celebrates Hostesses for the occasion were Ms. Janie Allen, Mrs. 100th birthday recently

Charlotte Anderson, Mrs. Kathy Bozeman, Mrs. Pam Bowers, Rosa Johnson Coon celebrat- life in the local area. Lawford, enjoyed giving her a Hancock, Mrs. Beth Henderson, 1907 to Lewis Love and Rhetta Rena Reeves of Austin, Texas.

Mrs. Margaret Calhoun, Mrs. ed her 100th birthday on She has 3 sons, Charles, Myrna Cotton, Mrs. Sharon October 29, 2007. She was Kenneth, and Wendell, who are Ms. Kendall Lawford cele- Cowen, Mrs. Elizabeth Dyess, joined by family, friends, and all deceased She received many brated her 2nd birthday on Mrs. Elaine Dodd, Mrs. Donna "neighbors" in the Elba Nursing cards and gifts, but the highlight and dad, Maria and Kevin Lucia Grantham, Ms. Cheryl She was born on October 29, her by her only living sibling,

She is the granddaughter of Dennis and Susan Lawford and Registration for classes continues at EOCC

granddaughter of Leroy and College. Anyone interested in Fort Rucker Site, (334) 774- Spring semester begins January Nell Lawford, Carolyn Stokes, attending EOCC in the spring and Betty Coon, all of Elba. She should register soon as popular

CHURCH & COMMUNITY NEWS

St. Luke's United Methodist Church is hosting Live Nativity

The nine scenes depicting

THE ELBA CLIPPER • THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2007.

St. Luke United Methodist and Heath Street, near the foot-Church in Enterprise invites ball stadium of Enterprise High everyone to the Drive-Through School. Live Nativity.

The nine-scene event will be Jesus' birth and the events surheld Saturday and Sunday, rounding it are viewed from cars December 15 and 16, from 6:30 driving through the church parking lot. Each scene has biblical St. Luke United Methodist is characters in costume, with located between Alberta Street scenery and live animals.

Schedule of events for December announced Bryant, Shirlee Belcher, Naomi PLATES will be served at the by the USDA'S Acting organizations to implement proby The Elba United Methodist Church

The Elba United Methodist Holly" in the Church presenting their Christmas churchwide Christmas party fol- AND WEDDING ANNIVER- 2007 at 12:00 Noon. The din- dent of the Alabama The 104-member board is Cantata, "A Child This Day" lowing (Everyone bring finger this coming Sunday December foods). 16, during the morning worship On Sunday evening, December 23 a Service of

That same morning a White Advent Carols and Scriptures Christmas offering will be will be held in the sanctuary received for the Methodist from 5:00 until 6:00. Children's Home.

The

Reason

For the

Season

December 16, at 6:00 p.m. the planned from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. Youth and Children will pres- Everyone is invited to these Musical "Glory To God In the Highest" ent the musical "Bows of events.

Elba Elementary School Menu

BREAKFAST Monday - Breakfast Pizza, Monday - Beef Nuggets, New Cereal, Juice, Milk Tuesday - French Toast Milk

Sticks w/Syrup, Link Tuesday - Ham, Mashed Potatoes Sausage, Cereal, Juice, w/Gravy, Green Beans, Roll, Christmas Cake, Milk Wednesday - Cheese Sandwich, Cereal, Juice, Sandwich, Tater Tots, Butterbeans, Indistribution of the Cotal defends that have AL. 3635. Telephone (334) 894-lost everything, in separate 0108, Cell (334) 449-0607. 1/2 Apple, Milk

Potatoes, Corn, Roll, Sliced Peaches,

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Bible Study. 9:00 a.m. Lavell Martin, Pastor
Fellowship 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Mora. Worship 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities 6:00 p.m.

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THINKING OF YOU, PRAY- Alice M. Folmar- December 15 ING FOR YOU: Rev. Henry

9, Ronnie and Charlotte by the church. Rev. Grace president of the Alabama Beef Promotion and Research Act of Caldwell- December 9 Daniels is the pastor. (Wedding Anniversary), Clara Purvis- December 10, Kenneth ful. Hardwick- December 10, Toney

On December 24, a "Come Kelley- December 11, John

located on 774 Co. Rd. 547, a.m.

dren will be attending.

house fires.

food items are needed. The second family is an elder-

Drive (Mulberry Heights) Elba, SARIES: Jerry Siler- December ners are FREE and sponsored

On Sunday evening, and Go" communion service is Damascus Baptist Church to present Christmas

Damascus Baptist Church, Morning December 23 at 11:00 Elba, AL, will present the Dorothy Wilkins is Choir

MaChis Lower Creek Indian Tribe to hold annual Christmas Party

will be held December 16, 2007 ers' lawsuit (Keepseagle versus at 1:00 P.M. CST in MaChis USDA) will need to come to the Lower Creek Indian Tribe of church and make sure that the Alabama Tribal Church, 2778 contact information is correct. If Geneva County Road 5, a participant has died, a copy of Kinston, AL. A covered dish the death certificate, along with meal will be served.

Charlie T. Jordan- December 14,

Shy, Rev. J.L. Grayer, Rev. J.M. CHRISTMAS DINNER Smith, Bufus Sr. and Marie Triumph Holiness Holiness DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS Alabama, on December 22,

Wright- December 10, Vernetter Today is a good day! Be grate-

Christmas Musical "Glory To Director. For more information,

Church, Dr. Martin Luther King Conner, are for three-year terms consumer information, industry

God In The Highest" Sunday call 894-6382

The annual Christmas party Those involved with the farm-

the tribal office by Dec. 10, meeting. Any questions or con-2007, indicating how many chil-cerns should be directed to Roll cards will be distributed lowing: MaChis Lower Creek at this meeting. Each person Indian Tribe of Alabama, Post must obtain their own roll card. Office Box 7, New Brockton,

The first family is Electa Curphey (single mother) and 13 year old child Torey, from Bibb County, AL. Electa wears 22 to 24 Women, 2X tops, Shoe size 7 to 6 and half wide. Torey wears 18 Women petite, 1X tops, Shoe size 8. She is 13. Housewares, linens, towels, nonperishable

ly couple. Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Musgrove, Opp. AL. They only need housewares, linens, towels, and nonperishable food items.

Executive of Estate, and next of There will be stockings for kin is required. A list of schedchildren 12 and under. Notify ule events will be given at this Chief James Wright at the fol-

> Deadline For Church & Bifestyle

News Is Monday!

Federation's Max Bozeman named to Cattlemen Board

Max Bozeman Jr., of Elba, a The board oversees collection board member of the Coffee of \$1-per-head on all cattle sold County Farmers Federation, was in the United States, and \$1-peramong 39 producers appointed head equivalent on imported to the Cattlemen's Beef cattle, beef and beef products. In Promotion and Research Board addition, the board contracts on Thursday.

The appointments, announced profit, and industry-governed Agriculture Secretary Chuck grams of promotion, research, beginning Feb. 3.

Cattle Improvement Association 1985. The agriculture secretary and is now serving his third con- selects the appointees nominatsecutive term on the Alabama ed by beef, veal, dairy and Farmers Federation's State Beef importer certified organizations. Committee. He is also past pres- USDA's Agricultural Marketing ident of the Coffee County Service monitors operation of

Farmers Federation.

information, foreign marketing Bozeman is currently presi- and producer communications.

The Now Generation Alliance is hosting their first Christmas Banquet on December 20th

the board.

The Now Generation Alliance N.G.A. Praise Team and other (N.G.A.), a newly formed co-ed special guests. There will be a Christian Alliance of Youth and charge to attend. Anyone attend-Young Adults from across ing is asked to R.S.V.P. by Southeast Alabama (from all December 17th due to limited denominations) between the seating. For more information ages of 16-35, will be hosting its about N.G.A., the Christmas first Christmas Banquet. The Banquet, or to R.S.V.P., please banquet will be held Thursday, contact the following: Chairman December 20, 2007 at 7 p.m. at of N.G.A.- Minister Johnathan the Enterprise Inn and Suites Lockett at (334) 389-3881 or Trawick Banquet Room, Vice-Chairman Justin Trawick Enterprise, Alabama. The guest at (334) 797-4644. Advisors for

speaker will be Minister Rodney Southeast Alabama Chapter are Jennings of Montgomery, Ala. Supt. W.K. and Elect Lady Special music will be given by Sonia Ellison.

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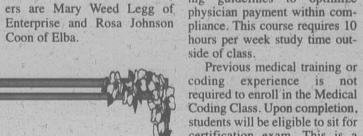
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James Kaeden and Kendall





September 19, 2007. Her mom Driggers, Mrs. Kay Farris, Ms. Home, Elba, Alabama.

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is the great-great-granddaughter classes are filling up fast. For of Rosa Johnson Coon of Elba more information about how to and Mary Legg of Enterprise, be admitted to the College or

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SCHOOLS



Editors: Erica Daniels & Kelly Corder

by Kelly Corder

This week's teacher spotlight shines on Lynn Corder, the reading teacher at Elba Elementary

Mrs. Corder attended college at Enterprise State Junior College and Troy University and has been teaching for 24 years. She previously taught at Baker School in Baker, Fla., Inez Carroll Elementary in Houston, Texas and Kinston Elementary School.

Mrs. Corder is married to Greg Corder, and they have four children, Bradley Wilson, snow-ski. I also love watching • December 18 Elba vs. Dallas Brass Band came to talk Bethany Wilson, Stephanie Duke Basketball and the Florida Brantley (Home)

When asked about some inter- also said that the fact that she is (Home) esting facts about herself she teaching children of former stu
• December 27-29 Opp said, "I love to water-ski and dents is interesting

Not pictured: Kolera Burrows and Merrill Curran



• December 13-15 Andalusia Christmas Tournament (TBA)

Christmas Tournament (TBA) • Nine weeks exams are Dec. 18 & 19. Students will take 1st and 3rd block on the 18th, and 2nd and 4th on the 19th.

· Grad Ad prices are as foland white, \$55 color; \$90 for 1/4 band members replied, "If page black and white, \$100 and white, \$125 color; \$160 for wind?" · Yearbooks are available for

Announcements:

pick up and extras are on sale for \$45. Contact the journalism staff • Elba hoodies and t-shirts are available for pick up. A few extras are available. Long-FROM COMMITTEE (by Kim Blue)...Prom Committee and top sleeve t-shirts are \$12 and \$13 sellers: 1st - Dylan McCollough, 2nd - Kolera Burrows, 3rd - and hoodies are \$20, \$21 and Megan Sullivant, 4th - Merrill Curran, and 5th - Mandy Blackmon. \$22. Contact the journalism

SUNDAY



FRESHMEN CLASS OFFICERS...The freshmen class officers SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS...This year's senior class president include Bethany Wilson, president; Kristin Kelley, vice president; is Brittany Phillips. The vice president is Ashley Carpenter, secre-Megan King, secretary; and Alexis Tillis, treasurer.

tary is Tierney Starks and the treasurer is Kiswana Cole. Dallas Brass Band visits Elba band students



The band members talked to the students about how they started off. They also played songs to the students. After playing music, the students could ask the band members questions. One student Members of the Dallas Brass visit with the elementary and high lows: \$50 for 1/8 page black asked, "Why just brass?" The



This week's co-op spotlight features senior Sabrina

Rachelle Hathcock. Sabrina is the 17-year-old daughter of Kevin and Kathy 60-54 win. Hathcock. She is currently employed at EDSCO, where she

Her job includes working on computers and working in the warehouse. Sabrina is active in Skills USA at Elba High. Her hobbies include eating, playing with kids and going for long, peaceful walks. After high

The Elba Jr. high boys played Geneva at home Nov. 29.

The Jr. high boys won 45-36, school, Sabrina plans to attend a which brought their record to 9college of her choice, and she is 2. With 15 points, Devanta



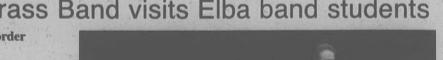
our execution; however, we still must improve our shot selection and learn to run the clock when boys jumped out to a 15-7 lead gap, but it was too late. Scoring

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school band students.

someone made a wind quartet use their hands in order to play school at 10 a.m. The Dallas color; \$110 for ½ page black someone would ask 'Why just their song "Hands." The stu- Band imitated the Wiggles and full page black and white, \$180

Jeff, the drummer of the band, interested in the "hands" song. Song." The Elementary students dents laughed and were really played "The Chocolate Chip color. They remain on sale then taught the students how to The Dallas Brass also per- enjoyed the band as well as the formed for the elementary high school.

Elba Tigers fall to Andalusia Bulldogs

by Yoquesha Terry

The Lady Tigers started the game versus Andalusia off with

In the first quarter the Lady Tigers were losing 12 to 6. The Lady Tigers were not able to score from the second quarter and to the third. T he final score of the game was 45-23. Shannika Pruitt, #24, commented, "maybe next we

The leading scorer for the Lady Tigers was #12 LeAnna Henderson. The varsity boys had a big

first half lead in the first two Channing Morris was the In the first half the score was 34-23. In the second half the varsity boys saw their lead van- Respress added 13. ish to the Andalusia Bulldogs. Aaron Harrelson commented,

The Bulldogs left town with a "we did great the first three quarters; but, during the fourth Channing Morris scored 22 quarter, we slipped a bit, and has been working for a year and points to lead Elba, while Gavin they took the game."

Chessie Cross

Elba Jr. High Tigers outscore Geneva and Opp by April Price and

ELBA Maryland scored the most. Jake 301 Carnley was 4 for 4 from the three-point line, totaling 12 On the game, Coach Bledsoe commented, "I am pleased with

high scorer for the Tigers in

Against Opp, the Elba Jr. high Devanta Maryland scored 15 A late surge by Opp closed the points in the Geneva game and 10 points in the Opp game.

was balanced with Jefferey Wright and Davanta Maryland each scoring 10 points. Tyler Anderson and Donta Rogers each added 8 with Jake Carnley chipping in 5 points. Coach Bledsoe said, "We are getting better, but we still need to work on fundamentals."



SCHOOLS

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New Brockton High School News

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7th-8th Grade Junior Beta Members



9th Grade Junior Beta Members

Students encouraged to "get enough sleep"

by Joanna Hawkins.

School Nurse Are you getting enough

sleep? Probably not. homework. Between extracurricular activities,

friends, jobs and the slew of technology that tempts teens to stay up, few are getting the nine while that may seem like a minor problem, doctors say get- you bring? My family.

school performance, moods, and behavior. Sleepy teens have likely to be obese, and are more likely to be depressed or anxious than kids who get enough

Plus, sleep is physically restorative, so a lack of sleep will impact their growth, hormones and metabolism. Deep sleep allows the body to re-energize. It's the only time

growth hormone, which boosts the immune system and aids in the growth and repair of the body. Deep sleep allows the mind to rejuvenate.

leads to a decrease in problem solving, learning ability, memory and concentration which is a bear so that I could scare all crucial for academic success. There's something to be said for burning the midnight oil.

GET TO KNOW THE TEACHERS

time of the day. So the next start to rest.

words. Energetic, friendly, and If you were stranded on an island, what one thing would

you like to listen? Country and

quote? "Roll Tide Roll." To where would you most like to travel? Paris or Hawaii Have you ever had a different career? No If you could travel to a dif-

ferent time era, to what era would you travel and why? careers in the future, which Back to the 80's to redo my high If you could have a boxing match with any historical fig-

If you were reincarnated as an animal, which would you like to be and why? I would be my favorite.

If you were a wrestler in a tag-team match for the world

Name: Angi Oakes

than what we learn at any other your notes and books before you

time you have a TEST, grab Good night and sleep tight!

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ones would you try? Lawyer or a Judge. Interior Decorator. Who is your hero/heroine?

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Spanish Club becomes active

The New Brockton High School Spanish Club was reformed this year under the leadership of Spanish teacher, Ricki Walker.

With her direction, the club has become very active in the school and the community. On Tuesday, Nov. 27, Rev. John Gunter spoke to the Spanish

Mr. Gunter is the Director of Hispanic Missions for Coffee County. He spoke to the students about his experiences in the Dominican Republic and about Hispanic missions in the United States.

Sponsor Ricki Walker stated, "I'm trying to expose our students to Hispanic culture diversity. Rev. Gunter did a wonderful job relating his experiences Rev. John Gunter, Coffee County Director of Hispanic Missions The Spanish Club will also

sponsor a Christmas party as a Baptist Church, a and box drinks to approximately these children. Spanish/English speaking 65 children who range in age church, located in the Martin from toddlers to high school stu-

Trailer Park in Enterprise. The dents. They will also sing party was held Wednesday, Dec. Christmas carols in both 12, at 5:30-6:30 P.M.

Varsity football player

Dashaun Vasser had an excep-

Even though Vasser is only a

unior, he is already looking at

colleges, including Alabama,

Auburn, and a recent visit to

Ohio State. At 6-2, 310 pounds,

Vasser played both offense and

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tional season for New Brockton.

The club members will serve Christmas story, discuss why we mission project to the children's a meal of chicken fingers, pota- celebrate the Christmas season. ministry at Faith Community to wedges or chips, a sheet cake, and then give gifts to each of

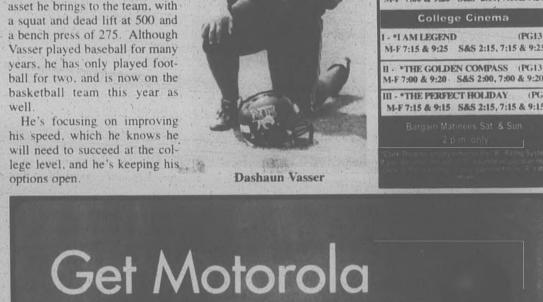
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Spanish and English, read the New Brockton High junior stands out

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By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The Mularz girls came back home for the holidays this week and hile they both used the time off from college to get in some extra deep, when they were awake they were in the mood to head out and ELBA o some Christmas shopping. I'll admit I saved a little grocery and SAMSON 37 extra spending money with them both at home. However, the trips The Elba Junior High Tigers the Geneva Junior High to the malls and other stores more than made up for the savings and broke loose in the final stanza to Panthers 45-36. The Tigers left Daddy's billfold a little flat.

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH....

*** The Elba Tigers saw their record slip to 2-4 last week with a to pull out the exciting win. two quarters to claim the big oad loss to Highland Home, and with nothing but quality opponents Devante Maryland scored 15 win. Devante Maryland scored on the schedule through the holidays it looks like the Tigers will have to do a lot of on the job training if they hope to put everything together before the area schedule opens in January. Coach Johnson's Tigers returned most of their team from a year ago and were hoping 2, Anderson 8, Wright 4, Anderson 6, Cole 2, Wright 8, to get off to fast start. However, nagging football injuries and a lack Maryland 15, Rogers 5, Maryland 15, Rogers 2. of practice time has taken its toll, and it may very well be late-December before the team gets the chance to work on the little things it takes to win in close games.

*** The Elba Lady Tigers evened its record at 3-3 last week and ave been a pleasant surprise for Coach Peacock and their fans. The Cady Tigers weren't expected to log a lot of wins this season due to ELBA 44 the loss of a couple of key players from a year ago, but the Elba girls N.B. 34 have worked hard to get better and the hard work has already paid The Elba Junior High Tigers had to battle until the final dividends. There are no easy wins to be found on the schedule. However, I have a hunch the Lady Tigers like it that way as they late to defeat the New Brockton Middle School Bobcats 25-22. keep working and playing to improve each and every game.

*** A look around the area finds more of the same among the The Tigers jumped out to an lead at the half, but upped their boys as Brantley and New Brockton have made strides to be win- early 13-4 lead and carried a 35- lead to 21-16 in the third quarter ning teams, while Kinston is improving daily and should be very 20 lead into the final stanza, but and held on late to claim the competitive as the season progresses and Zion Chapel is still look- had to turn back a late low-scoring win. Tyler ing for a spark to lift the Rebels out of their long losing streak. Over Gamecock rally to hold on and Anderson and Donta Rogers on the girls side of the ledger, Brantley is undefeated in early-sea- claim the win. Jeffery Wright both scored 6 points to lead the Elba Tiger Bobby Hudson (3) gets inside a defender for a basket son action and is easily at the head of the class, while Kinston scored 10 points and Devante Tigers. grabbed a big win last week and is getting better, while New Maryland added 9 to lead the Elba (25): Carnley 4, Home last week 74-55 to fall to 2-4 on the season.

(Photo by Mike Capps) Brockton and Zion Chapel are looking for the right combination. It Tigers is still too early to tell, but it looks like an exciting season ahead for Elba (44): Carnley 3, Kelley 2, Rogers 6, Griffin 2. all area basketball fans.

gave me a copy of the Tigers' football schedule for next season and Amison 2. the move to Class 2A brought with it a major overhaul. Elba will N.B. (34): Boop 2, Carpenter ELBA 41 open the season on the road against Opp, then will swing into region 6, Green 12, Turner 8, Bryant 4, FLEETA 13 play with a road trip to Cottonwood and home games against McGill 2. Barbour County and G.W. Long. A non-region home game against Geneva will come in week number five, then it will be back to the ELBA 41 region wars as the Tigers travel to New Brockton, host Houston OPP 34 Academy and Samson, and close out region play on the road against

The Elba Junior High Tigers jumped out

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Flying Squadron. Houston County. The Tigers will then close out the regular season pulled ahead early and turned to a lopsided 26-4 halftime lead with their first-ever visit to Zion Chapel. Gone from the schedule back a late rally to ease past the and coasted to the easy win. are such long time rivals as Brantley and Straughn, but keeping Opp Opp Middle School Bobcats 41- Saege Kelley scored 11 points to on the schedule keeps an old rivalry alive and well, while the addition of Zion Chapel should add lots of noise among the players and early and owned a big 30-15 Griffin added 8.

*** The "South" rose again in the high school football playoffs Bobcats stage a second half rally 11, Cole 1, Wright 4, Johnson 4, last week as all six teams that competed in the southern division of and had to battle until the final Rogers 2, James 4, Amison 4, the bracket took home state championships. Sweet Water (1A), buzzer to claim the win. Jeffery Griffin 8. Leroy (2A) and Prattville (6A) all repeated as state champs, while Wright and Devante Maryland Fleeta (13): Cody W. 2, Cordova (3A), Tuscaloosa Central (4A) and St. Paul's (5A) all both scored 10 points to lead the Andrew R. 4, Hector R. 1. claimed the titles in their respective classes. I'll admit Tuscaloosa Tigers. Central and Cordova aren't really in South Alabama, but this year Elba (41): Carnley 5, 2. they are and they helped the South rise again!

Enterprise High School play this season just to get the chance to watch Rhett Harrelson. Harrelson, only an eighth-grader, leads the defensive stats for '07 Elba Tigers 6A Wildcats in scoring and can do anything with the ball he needs to do. The youngster is without a doubt one of the best players in the area, and as he grows up on the court he may very well become one official defensive statistics for Bryant and Bobby Hudson all of the best ever. I have talked to coaches that already compare his the 2007 high school football had 2 sacks, and Jason Mitchell, skills to those of Pete Maravich, and that is saying a lot.

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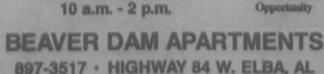
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Elba Junior High Tigers claim six straight wins

The Elba Junior High Tigers Anderson 8, Wright 10, have been busy in recent weeks Maryland 10, Rogers 8. on the basketball court and have Opp (34): Buckelew 2, Davis also been highly successful as 2, Finedore 7, Marler 7, Parks 5, they have rolled to six straight Nixon 11.

OPP 22

Anderson 6, Wright 5, Maryland

pulled ahead early and never

looked back in an easy 41-13

Following are highlights of ELBA 45

rally past Samson 44-37. The jumped out to an early 14-3 lead Tigers trailed 33-29 after three to take command, stretched their quarters of play, but outscored lead to 31-12 by the end of the Samson 15-4 in the final period half, and coasted over the final points to lead Elba, while Tyler 15 points and Jake Carnley Elba (44): Carnley 6, Kelley Elba (45): Carnley 12,

Williams 2, Amison 2. Samson (37): Dean 4, Swinton 2, Hall 2, Meadows 2, Jackson 2, Russell 12, Williams Carnley 8, T. McIntyre 12.

pulled ahead early and held on buzzer to slip past the Opp Junior High Gamecocks 44-34. The Tigers held a slim 13-12

halftime lead, but saw the Elba (41): Carnley 3, Kelley

Dylan Z. 2, Michael S. 2, Levi J. *** In closing.... area basketball fans need to try and watch Belcher, Tyson and Hudson lead

and Bobby Hudson leading the all had I sack.

charge for the Tigers. 57 solo tackles and had 23 included Matt Brunson (33 tackassists to record a total of 80 les and 24 assists), Jordan stops, while Tyson, a defensive- McBride (27 tackles and 23 end, made 53 solo tackles and assists), Tramound Craighead had 24 assists to follow with 77 (25 tackles and 25 assists), stops. Hudson, a free safety, Dakell Berry (28 tackles and 21 made 54 solo tackles and had 15 assists), Sandarius Reed (22 assists to close the season with tackles and 23 assists), Justin

Hammonds had 4 interceptions les and 15 assists), Don Rhoades apiece to lead the Tigers, while (20 tackles and 13 assists), Dakell Berry, Sandarius Reed, Carlos Matias (18 tackles and 7 Andrew Head, Dimetrio Tyson, assists), Jordan Bryant (14 tack-Tramound Craighead and les and 6 assists), Martin Bobby Hudson all had 1 pass McCormick (10 tackles and 6

interception. Sandarius Reed both had 2 fum- Head (4 tackles and 4 assists), ble recoveries to lead Elba, Jason Mitchell (5 tackles and 2 while making I recovery were assists), Michael Lindsey (5 and Andrew Head.

Jordan Bryant, Justin tackles and 2 assists), Gavin Hammonds, Carlos Matias, Respress (5 tackles and 1 assist), Dakell Berry, Cameron Rodgers Denzel Neal (2 tackles and 1 Demetrio Tyson recorded 4 les), Keith Rodgers (2 assists) sacks to lead the Tigers defense, and Chance Goosby (1 assist).

season last week with the trio of Trey Belcher, Bobby Hudson, Trey Belcher, Dimetrio Tyson Denzel Neal and Richard Cooks

Other Tiger defenders making Belcher, a linebacker, made tackles during the '07 season Hammonds (30 tackles and 12 Gavin Respress and Justin assists), Cordel Hooks (21 tackassists), Cameron Rodgers (7 Demetrio Tyson and tackles and 8 assists), Andrew assist), Keenan Phillips (2 tack-

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in recent high school basketball action. The Tigers lost to Highland

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win over the Fleeta Junior High Alzamour Wallace scored 20 Flying Squadron.

The Elba Tigers traveled to points to lead Highland Home, The Elba Junior High Tigers Highland Home Thursday night while Anthony Merriweather and came home after absorbing added 16 poionts and grabbed a 74-55 loss to the Highland 12 rebounds. Randy McGough

High School SCHOOUTE.

Thursday, December 13 Elba, in Andalusia Tournament

Friday, December 14

New Brockton, in Andalusia Tournament Kinston at Ariton (JV-VG-VB) 5:00 Zion Chapel Jr. at Elba Jr. (8G-8B) 4:30

Elba, in Andalusia Tournament New Brockton, in Andalusia Tournament Zion Chapel at Geneva County (JV-VG-VB)

Saturday, December 15 Elba, in Andalusia Tournament New Brockton, in Andalusia Tournament

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Panthers with 22 points.

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Driver led the Tigers with 15 points.

High School

ROUNDBALL

ROUNDUP

Brantley Bulldogs outscore Red Level 82-79

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks fell behind early and never

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs remained on an early-season roll

night by rolling past the Houston Academy Lady Raiders 41-33.

Deanna Manning scored 16 points to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while

Ashley McCall and Casey Dean added 9 and 8 points, respectively.

Brantley Lady Bulldogs blast Georgiana 52-37

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs upped their record to 7-0 Friday

night with an impressive 52-37 win over the Georgiana Lady

New Brockton falls to Straughn 45-38



the goal in recent high school basketball action. The Lady loss to Straughn.

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Learn to blend with a buck

biologist make the statement that eral vision (where they detects Panthers. Sherry Gulley scored 28 points, handed out 5 assists and a deer's vision and a human's motion) one must be absolutely vision was approximately equal. still and blend in with the back-I'm not qualified to argue with him scientifically on that statehave. Where I hunt deer; I'm background to go undetected, higher on an eye exam than I. orange hat.

deer has far superior peripheral up a fidgety or sky lighted to be used in conjunction with should be in child safety seats or vision. A deer's eyes protrude hunter quite a distance away. seat belts, safety experts say. booster seats. There should be slightly and are set back one the Hunters who blend with their Here are some more safety at least ten inches between the side of the head background and remain motion- tips to consider from the center of a driver's breastbone This positioning gives the deer less put the most trophies on the American Coalition for Traffic and the steering wheel. a very wide field of view. They wall. can see everywhere without moving their head with the exception of a small area directly behind the head. And even

the head. They can see 360 degrees without moving from their tracks. Another difference in human vision and a deer's is the ability of the deer to see well in low light conditions. The light cells in a deer's retina are predominately rods. This type of cell is geared to seeing in dim light so well that a deer can see well

this area can be quickly

observed with a slight turn of

enough to be active 24 hours a The human eye contains a mixture of rods and cones. Since our eye has more cones than a deer's, we can see color better than a deer. Also our eyes are set close together on the front portion of the skull and are set slightly back into the skull. This arrangement reduces our field of view, but enables both eyes to focus on a distant object at the same time. Because of this we have better depth perception than a deer and can distinguish objects from their background better than a deer can. Since deer have an advantage of peripheral vision but the disadvantage of limited depth perception, hunters can take advantage of both. Make sure that

your stand, whether on the ground or in a tree is not sky lighted. After placing a stand, walk out to where you assume you may see a deer, sit on the ground and look toward your stand. If you can see sky behind the seat rather than vegetation, it probably needs relocating.

recovered last week in a 60-18 loss to the Straughn Lady Tigers. Abby Dunaway scored 8 points to lead the Lady Gamecocks, while New Brockton Lady Gamecock Anna Beth Sawyer (25) drives to Andrea Sport led the Lady Tigers with 23 points. Gamecocks continued their early-season struggles last week with a (Photo by Mike Capps) Lady Bulldogs roll past Red Level 58-28

with an easy 58-28 win over the Red Level Lady Tigers. Sherr Gulley scored 15 points to keep the Lady Bulldogs undefeated, while Eisha Person and Caroline Allen both added 10 points. Kinston Lady Bulldogs edge Raiders 41-33 The Kinston Lady Bulldogs grabbed a big win on the road Friday

by Ben Norman, Sports Columnist background to bag Rachel Purvis led the Lady Raiders with 10 points.

7 points, pulled down 15 rebounds and blocked 8 shots.

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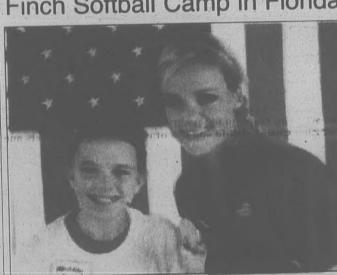
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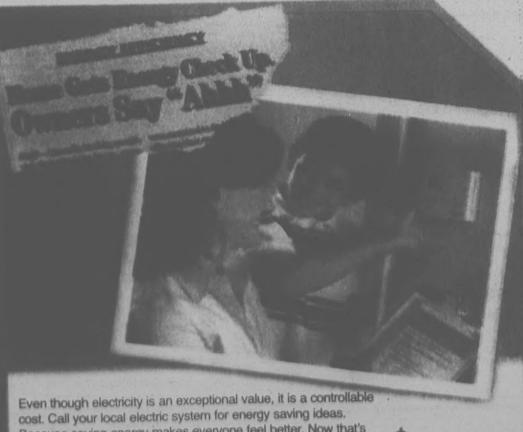
Thursday night and had a hard time finding their way to the basket in a 45-38 loss to the Tigers. Shambray Johnson scored 21 points and grabbed 15 rebounds to lead the Gamecocks, while Trevor The Brantley Bulldogs hosted the Red Level Tigers last Thursday night and claimed a wild 82-79 win. Wesley Person scored 29 points to lead the Bulldogs, while Dexter Daniels added 22. D.J. Sankey led the Tigers with 22 points and 9 assists, while Cale Nolin added Kinston Bulldogs caged by H.A. Raiders 58-54 The Kinston Bulldogs battled until the final whistle Friday night in a 58-54 loss to the Houston Academy Raiders. Matt Whigham scored 23 points to lead the Bulldogs, while Hunter Anderson added 10. David Gannon scored 16 points and Jo-el Bennet added 13 for Brantley Bulldogs knock off Georgiana 54-52 The Brantley Bulldogs improved their record to 3-1 Friday night with an exciting 54-52 win over the Georgiana Panthers. Devontae Porter and Wesley Person both scored 11 points to lead the Bulldogs, while Dexter Daniels added 10. Jamie Williams led the Lady Gamecocks clawed by Lady Tigers 60-18

Kinston Bulldog Aaron Jacobs (4) drives to the basket in recent hgigh school basketball action. The Bulldogs dropped a narrow decision last week to Houston Academy.

Whitney Rugg attends Jennie Finch Softball Camp in Florida



Whitney Rugg attended Olympic gold medalist Jennie Finch's softball camp Friday, Nov. 30, through Sunday, Dec. 2, in Orlando, Fla. On Friday night, Whitney got to meet Jennie and fellow Olympians Crystl Bustos, Mackenzie Vandergeest, Laura Burg, Natasha Watley and Toni Mascarenas at The Red Coconut on Universal Studio's City Walk. On Saturday, Whitney participated in many activities with each Olympic player. Doug Finch, Jennie's dad, walked everyone through Jennie's pitching technique and each of her different pitches. Jennie put on a pitching demonstration, and Crystl Bustos put on a hitting demonstration. On Sunday, Whitney received autographs and photos from each-Olympian, as well as, a certificate for participating in the Jennie Finch Camp. Whitney is the daughter of Richie and Amy Rugg and is a student at Zion Chapel Middle School.



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I hear the many Christmas songs that people hold so dear But the sounds of music can't compare with the Christmas choir up

I have no words to tell you the joy their voices bring, For it is beyond description to hear the angels sing.

I know how much you miss me, I see the pain inside your heart But I am not so far away, we really aren't apart. So be happy for me dear ones, you know I hold you dear and be glad I'm spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this year.

I sent you each a special gift, from my heavenly home above. I sent you each memory of my undying love. After all, love is a gift more precious than pure gold. It was always most important in the stories Jesus told. Please love and keep each other, as my Father said to do, For I can't count the blessings of love he has for each of you.

So have a Merry Christmas and wipe away that tear. Remember, I am spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this year.

THE ELBA CLIPTER - THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2007 Southeast Alabama Regional Commission elects 2008 board members and officers

The Southeast Alabama southeastern Alabama counties Commission Chairman, Mark Enterprise Mayor Kenneth Regional Planning and consist of Barbour, Coffee, Culver. The new Boswell, attorney Gladys Development Commission Covington, Dale, Geneva, Secretary/Treasurer is Geneva Yelverton, Elba Mayor James (SEARP&DC) announces the Henry and Houston. election of the board's new 2008 Chairman of this newly elect- Shields.

SEARP&DC is governed by a County Commissioner Robert the Commission's Board are: 42 member board that consists Stephens. First Vice Chairman of 6 members from each of the is Daleville Mayor Wess seven counties served by the Etheredge and Second Vice Commission. These seven Chairman is Houston County's

who knew and loved her."

HOUSE (Continued) much of a blessing to the Farlow Following the Bible presentahome as Katie was to all of us tion, keys to the home were given to the Farlow family. During the dedication cere- Family members said they just mony, Katie's family presented want to say "thank you to everythe Farlow family with a Bible. one for helping build this Inside, there was a photograph home."

Selected Christmas

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dogs from going on private prop- coyote. Christmas Sale

> also is a misrepresentation. ally are 300 - 1,000 acres of land. Opp, Ala. He said the hunters take very Davis said the hunters want

According to Tommy Gibson, that - a thing of the past.

County Commissioner Gary Grimes, Commissioner Robert Stephens, Commissioner J.L. ed Board of Directors is Coffee County members of Weeks, and Ross Cotter.

the art of it is to take raw talent the hunters do not want their dogs and polish it. He added that to catch and kill the animals. If noundsmen are always looking the animal is caught, the dog can for the better breed of dog. never run it again. He said that Through the years, Davis said defeats the purpose. At field tridog hunting has moved to enclo- als, Davis said the hunters even sures. One reason is to keep the take extra measures to save the

erty while another reason, and Davis said the sport drives him. most likely a bigger reason, is to He is constantly working to train keep the dogs safe from outside the better dog. But, if a change is not made in the law, he said he Davis said a lot of people worries the sport will diminish, believe the coyotes are turned and the only purpose of the dog loose and the dogs are set on will be as a pet.

them immediately. He said this Davis said the Organization of Ethical Game Laws has set up a The wild game, such as the fund to accept donations for their coyotes, live in the enclosures. cause. The money can be donated Davis said the enclosures gener- at Covington County Bank in

good care of the animals while laws to help regulate the sport. they are in the enclosure. He said He said they want to be licensed they even feed these animals, to make the sport better. They are which many consider to be a nui- simply looking to officials for help in the matter by asking them Davis said the hunters regulate to follow suit with surrounding themselves to prevent the kill. states before this pastime is just

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Elba's Christmas Family for 2007 is the Mike and Starla Amison family. The boys are Kenneth Neil, age 9 and Jon Ashley, age 13. The pets are Rocky, the Greyhound, age 4 and Brodye, the Cocker Spaniel, age 2. Brodye has been in the family for years but Rocky, who is a retired racing hound, joined just a few weeks ago. He was adopted in Birmingham after a racing career in Tennessee.